



## NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

**TO:** Office of Planning and Research  
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**FROM:** Department of Parks and Recreation  
Tehachapi District  
15101 Lancaster Road  
Lancaster, CA 93536

**PROJECT TITLE:** Restore Spring and Remove Debris

**LOCATION:** Fort Tejon SHP

**COUNTY:** Kern

**DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT:**

Natural springs were altered to provide water for livestock prior to DPR acquisition. Water tanks, troughs, pipes, and debris are still present. The pipes interfere with natural spring flow and troughs accidentally trap and kill wildlife. The tanks are unsightly and visible in a scenic area of the park.

Tanks, troughs, pipes, and debris will be removed and disposed of properly off site. Natural ponds (small basins at each spring) will be restored. Native wetland plants will be planted as needed.

DPR-approved standard project requirements have been incorporated into this project. A copy of these requirements may be obtained by submitting a request to the project Environmental Coordinator listed below.

**PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING THE PROJECT:** California Department of Parks and Recreation

**NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT:** Tehachapi

**EXEMPT STATUS:**

- ☐ Declared Emergency (Section 15269(a))  
☐ Emergency Project (Section 15269(b) and (c))  
☐ Statutory Exemption (Section )  
☒ Categorical Exemption  
Class: 4 Section(s): 15304

**REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT:**

No potential for significant impacts to the environment is anticipated in compliance with Section 15300.2. If the project is implemented as indicated within the CDPR Project Evaluation Form including measures provided by CDPR specialists, then it is exempt under CEQA §15304 – Minor Alterations to Land. The actions fall under the Departmental List of Exempt activities as established according to CEQA §15300.4 as:

- “Resource management projects” (Class 4, Section 15304);
- “The project will result in the improvement of habitat for wildlife resources” (Class 4, Section 15304d); and
- “Temporary use of land having negligible or no permanent effects on the environment” (Class 4, Section 15304e)

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